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Circulation Manager.

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"Can you beat it?" Not easily.

Well, are you one of the also-forgots?

Our old friend, Jack Frost, didn't make much of a catch in this neck of woods.

Those who misused the Land show will have to mark it up against themselves.

Doubtless New Yorkers now regard Philadelphia as the most wide-awake city in the country.

The foot ball shouters will have to speed up this year if they hope to overtake the base ball fans.

No noticeable demonstrations of joy from Fairview over the return to the fold of Prodigal Hearst.

The foam of the furor against Secretary Wilson for welcoming the blowers must have been blown off.

It seems that Owen Wister deemed it necessary to go bear hunting as proof that he was not sick. Conclusive.

If you had put in six weeks traveling 13,000 miles, wouldn't you be glad to be in sight of home once more?

Mrs. Belmont perhaps is safe in saying that soap and suffrage should go together, but no more man would dare say it.

At any rate, the government is going to try to demonstrate whether it is possible or impossible to "un-scramble eggs."

Reports say the McNamara trial may continue until next summer. Oh, until the base ball season re-opens would do.

And, of course, Wisconsin was not going to let any other part of the "enemy's country" outdo it in entertaining the president.

From the noise that comes from China one is forced to conclude that the Celestial empire is either awake or snoring in its sleep.

It may be observed that Mr. Bryan has not joined Dr. Woodrow Wilson in his condemnation of "The Beautiful Isle of Somewhere."

Of course, if it should develop that the women of California did not desire to vote they must blame the men for imposing the duty upon them.

Still, it was better to have the international brewers' convention opened as it was by a dignified speech by Secretary Wilson than with a corker.

At last they have traced the Rockefeller pipeline back to the Plantagenets, but the millions become fewer the further away from John D. they go.

Chicago has determined to go ahead with its subways. Chicago, it seems, never has much difficulty in going ahead with underground enterprises.

According to Mr. Hill, if the Steel trust is liquidated its common stock will not be worth the paper it is written on. One feels morally certain, though, that Mr. Hill is not throwing away his common on that account.

There is ample time to halt the new Republic of China, but even so, Americans need not doubt that it is about to call for our applause.

The face of the earth has been changing from a glacial expression to a broad smile for many years.

Can You Beat It?

"Can you beat it?" asks our local democratic organ. Really, we don't believe anyone can who looks dispassionately upon the campaign of bluff, bluster and deception which the democrats have been waging locally. First, a hue and cry has been raised over alleged illegal voting in the primary election, which election was held on the registration lists made by the democratic gang last year to pile up a majority for Mayor "Jim" for governor and Hitchcock for senator. If any fraud was perpetrated in that registration, it was perpetrated by and for the very democrats who now seek to charge it up to the republicans.

Can you beat it? Second. A part of the democratic howl has been directed against the judges and clerks of election, but it develops that a large majority of the election officers are democrats named by the boss of the democratic machine, himself now running as a candidate, and that the democrats absolutely control a majority of the election boards in every precinct in the county but three. And still they want people to believe that the ballot boxes are in danger of being raped by republicans.

Can you beat it? Third. The democrats are crying out that "the machine" must be balked and dislodged by filling the court house with democrats. How would they have us smash the machine? In order to smash the machine they want the office of clerk of the district court turned over to "Boss" Flynn, chief push of the street gang, and a patron saint of the Dahlman club.

Can you beat it? Fourth. In order to smash the machine they want the sheriff's office turned over to what "Jerry" Howard designates "as a rich youth," but, in fact, a mere cog in the democratic machine, and a putty puppet for "Charley" Fanning, king of the paving combine and democratic chancellor of the exchequer.

Can you beat it? Fifth. In order to smash the machine they want the position of police judge conferred on a common ward heeler who has been drawing double pay as Dahlman's police court clerk and Fanning's bookkeeper at one and the same time.

Can you beat it? Sixth. In order to smash the machine they want us to re-elect the democratic county commissioner as one of the democratic combine that has been dealing in court house contracts, and himself perpetrating all sorts of petty graft.

Can you beat it? Seventh—When, pretending a sense of decency, Senator Hitchcock and his democratic newspaper called for repudiation of an accidental nominee for the School board on the republican ticket, unfitted morally for such a position, The Bee promptly joined in the demand. At the same time The Bee called upon Senator Hitchcock likewise to show good faith by repudiating just one immoral candidate on the democratic ticket, which he knows, or ought to know, contains at least one candidate as unfit, if not more so, than the repudiated republican, but up to date he clings to his democratic disreputables.

Can you beat it? Eighth. Senator Hitchcock's same democratic organ has been loudly accusing the republicans of waging a campaign of misrepresentation and mud-slinging, when the only mud-slinging so far has been that of his own paper, and its fakes have become so coarse that when cornered even he had to "fess up and retract some of his fabrications."

Can you beat it? The City as a Social Worker. Municipal, state and federal governments are doing more every year for the social and civic uplift. When one takes the time to look at this comprehensive scheme of what might be called official philanthropy he surely gets the healthful impression that more and more his government is caring for him and concerning itself minutely with his individual welfare. Nothing the state is doing quite so distinctively marks the distance we have come in our determination to get away from what is slothful or indifferent in the government's relation to society.

Bearing on this thought, it is interesting to note that in New York City, the Department of Health is just now asking the taxpayers to increase its annual budget for 1912 by 52 per cent, to enable it to proceed with improved methods of medical inspection for school children, for more funds to fight consumption, for better care of contagious diseases patients and for milk stations. The department wishes to maintain seventy-three milk stations and for this purpose alone asks a big increase over the present appropriation.

To show that its work is not a failure, the department discloses that since it took control of the city's milk the death rate of babies has been reduced from 142.3 per 1,000 to 124.6. Of the 3,997 babies cared for by the city at its milk stations from April to September, only eighty-five died, less than 2.2 per cent.

New York is not the only city doing such work; in fact, nearly every American city is engaged in various

degrees in similar enterprises and so are the states and so is the national government. Tremendous results for the good of humanity have already been accomplished and yet the work is only in its incipency. The possibilities make us look back with much more incredulity than we look forward to pictured goals.

Gossip.

In an address to a confirmation class in Washington last week, Cardinal Gibbons read the young people a lecture on intemperance, not only on intemperance in drink, but also intemperance in language, and particularly the intemperance of gossip. As quoted, he said:

Girls, do not gossip. I am sure you are not likely to be intemperate in the use of strong drink, but idle gossip is intemperance of the grossest sort. I beseech you not to spend your spare time in gossip about your friends or acquaintances. It is unkind and cruel. This advice of the eminent churchman deserves to be taken home everywhere. The evil of gossip is altogether too common and prevalent. It is not confined to girls, nor to women, for many men are also prone to gossip. Where gossip consists of peddling suspicious and innuendoes, in exaggerating petty doings into ominous acts, in passing along hearsay tales and touching them up in transit, it is a most insidious force for evil. It is all the more inexcusable and despicable because the victim has no opportunity for self-defense, but is stabbed in the dark, as it were, and the damage done can seldom be repaired. The cardinal's injunction against gossip should be repeated and reiterated by every preacher and teacher in the land.

Priority in Tripoli.

Criticism of Italy for invading Tripoli with the purpose of acquiring title to that part of the Turkish empire takes on new phase under the light of history. Perhaps it will not do to let one's sympathy for the property owner carry him too far in condemning Italy for warring Tripoli from Turkey on the ground of Turkey's prior claim to that portion of Africa. Without stopping to discuss how Turkey gained its hold on Tripoli, it is interesting to observe that it was several centuries behind Italy in going into Tripoli.

Alleyne Ireland, a student of tropical colonization, reached back in history for this observation in an interview published in the New York Tribune. So far as Tripoli is concerned, Italy can at least claim a more ancient right than Turkey, for Italy founded a colony in Tripoli in the year 100 B. C., and the Italian states of Amalfi, Pisa, Genoa, and Venice had settlements in North Africa centuries before Turkey invaded and captured any part of Africa. As a matter of fact, Turkey is a comparatively modern participant in the "scramble for Africa," her first exploit in that direction having been the seizure of Egypt in 1882.

It might also be shown that Turkey has had control of Tripoli only since about the middle of the seventeenth century and that Italy was given certain colonization rights under the treaty following the Russo-Turkey war in 1878, since which time Italy has been rapidly colonizing its people in that country, so much so that when the present conflict broke out the Tripolitans seemed to lean more to Italy than Turkey.

Love for Liberty Human.

Does it tax people's faith to believe that heathen China, superstitious, idolatrous China, is about to become a republic? The question is asked by the Independent of New York, which wisely conceives that the love for liberty is human before it is Christian. "It is human rights we proclaim when we talk ideally." Quite true and it is nothing else but human rights, human liberty, that animates this revolution in China today.

And why should enlightened people doubt China's becoming a republic? What was the goal at which the enlightened powers of the earth aimed when they took up the task of teaching China? Now, that they get the first dim glimpse of it, perhaps still afar off, are they unable to believe it? Is it too much for their faith? They have made extravagant claims for the future of China. Are they going to discredit them so soon by a lack of faith in the power behind them?

The leaven of civilization has worked its way through centuries of ignorance and superstition in all parts of the world and it penetrated the wall of China, indeed, it is fast penetrating it now. Nothing could be sudden in a country as old as China. Should China next year or next month pass from an empire into a republic that would not be sudden, because the process of change has been going on for years. Step by step, China has been emerging from her darkness. In recent years the barbarous footwork of the women goes off, the demoralizing institution of opium eating trembles from its foundations, queues are cut, every year China sends an increased number of young men and women to American schools and colleges, modern customs and wares are carried back. Our missionaries and our merchants have had an influence, their seeds have grown and are ready to yield fruit.

China not only may, it must, develop some form of more liberal gov-

ernment. That is the inevitable logic of events. Her people adopt our modern modes eagerly and do not give them up. Leaven works within out and so it is working that way in China. The Chinese, having found out what human liberty is, demand it in its fullest form and no power in that ancient empire can hold back the onrush of that demand.

Mills of Citizenship.

The highest service our colleges and universities can render is the production of good citizens. If they can do that they will come up to the level they should reach. President Vincent, the new executive of the University of Minnesota, seems to hit the nail on the head when he says: "The university should aim to serve the commonwealth through individuals rather than to offer personal privileges and advancement to a few at state expense." Many people forget that state universities are maintained by public money. Has not the taxpayer—the state—therefore, a right to demand the worth of his money? And how is he to get that except in a well-rounded product, a young man ready and prepared to take up a useful part in the great scheme of American citizenship?

The times are beset with reforms and agitation. The reforms are chiefly moral. That is why they cannot be so easily achieved by legislative enactment, which fixes limitations and penalties. Men are not made honest or just by law. The state must depend for the civic betterment it seeks on the schools and the universities, along with the home and the church. Most men will admit, in discussing this social abuse, or that moral reform, that the goal will be reached only through a steady process of education. Our schools and universities will, we repeat, perform their best service to the state when they give to its men trained for citizenship, equipped with a keenly developed sense of moral, political and economic justice and right.

Is there any significance in the fact that President Taft was warmly received by the California lemon-growers?—Christian Science Monitor.

Yes, the same significance that there is in the fact that he was warmly received by the California orange growers and the California raisin growers and the California oil men and mining men and all the rest of the people in that great state, in whose metropolis, San Francisco, the Chicago Tribune correspondent reported in his paper, "There are not enough anti-Taft men here to man the election polls."

Mr. Bryan calls upon the president to make public all the recommendations written and verbal given with respect to the appointment of an associate justice to take Justice Harlan's place. At any rate, there is nothing to prevent Mr. Bryan from making public the list of names he would recommend for consideration, except possibly the fear that his boast might be a knock.

For some unaccountable reason the populists are not nearly so exercised as are the democrats over the "outrage" that prevents the democratic candidate from stealing the populist label in the Third Nebraska district.

Notice that The Bee is still alone among Omaha newspapers to show up the quack doctor preying on sick and crippled unfortunate among us with false promises of miraculous cures, supported by fake testimonials.

Perhaps the democratic party might save itself of raising campaign funds by nominating Mr. Hearst, a man able to finance himself, as standard-bearer.

People and Events

Major General Daniel E. Sickles, New York's "Grand Old Veteran," turned into his eighty-seventh year on the 29th inst. and doesn't care who knows it.

Emperor Pu-Yi, China's kid ruler, will be 6 years of age next February. His rebellious subjects threaten to give him the ki-yi, the Chinese equivalent for bounce.

The "airy, fairy" Gertrude Burk of Chicago, reputed to be the largest woman in the world, had her measure taken while visiting in Alton, Ill. These are the figures: Years, 22; weight, 325 pounds; height, 57; arm, 23 inches; waist, 54; bust, 75; gloves, No. 7; shoes, No. 4½.

Despite the handicap of environment, some of the youths of Pittsburgh set a pace that would give Boston competitors a heartache. Miss Winnifred Stoner published a book of her own verses at 7, and now, at the age of 9, can outtalk her acquaintances in any one of five languages.

The fact that the steelhead town of Gary, Ind., has been built up in a few years, giving all home owners first hand experience with sanitary appliances, helps to explain the nervy action of the grand jury in indicting five members of the Master Plumbers association for soldering all the leaks in trade pipes.

While New York's "Ruzszielamb" failed to separate a Merry Widow from some of her coin, other courageous men are appealing to the courts to penalize female trifling with masculine hearts. A Texan and a Missourian have drawn financial penalties recently. The breach of promise game is no longer one-sided.

A coroner's jury in Chicago, taking its cue from one of McCutcheon's cartoons, charges with "intentional and criminal heartlessness" the chauffeur who, having run down and killed a woman, fled from the scene of his crime. The ruffian has been arrested and stands a good chance of getting the limit—fourteen years in the penitentiary.

Looking Backward This Day in Omaha

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Thirty Years Ago— Paintal quarters are being fitted up at 1315 and 1317 Farnam streets for the enterprising merchants, S. P. Morse & Co., who have also succeeded to the business of the firm of Stephens & Wilcox. By throwing two stores together they will have one vast building, 45,000 feet in size and three stories high, and an addition at the rear will be built with a hammer glass roof affording plenty of light.

The Nebraska society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals is arranging for a general mass meeting to interest people in their work. The committee in charge consists of John T. Bell, chairman; E. F. Fawcett, Judge Savage, J. S. Leavitt and C. H. Dewey.

The custom of hanging out washings in front of the city hall building is unique, and should by all means be allowed to continue. This week's washing was a good one.

As the mud dries up wagons lost on Tenth street during the blockade are coming to the surface. A Tenth street restaurateur advertises his business by a sign planted in front of his place of business bearing the "Fear not this mud for Wigg's coffee is strong enough to carry you through."

Cora May Durnell, daughter of Samuel Durnell, janitor of the Cass street school, died today. She was 34 years old.

A Nebraska State Stenographer's association held an informal meeting to elect officers and George W. Ames, formerly of Buffalo, was enrolled as an active member. Mr. Ames has formed a partnership with John T. Bell, official stenographer of this district.

The wind-up game of the season was played this afternoon, composed of two mixes of the best players in the city. "Jim" Whitney's professional pitching, Charles Whitney's catching and Durkee's pitching were the special features. The result was in favor of the side over which Funkhouser was captain over Bandle's. This was the line up: Funkhouser's nine, Whitney, catch, Durkee, pitcher; Holland, short; Funkhouser, left; Hammer, first; Brandt, second; Dunlap, third; Marston, center; Goodwin, right; Bandle's nine, J. Whitney, pitcher; Lyndon, short; Kennington, right; Bandle, catch; Neville, second; A. Saxe, left; Bash, first; Scott, third; B. W. Saxe, center.

H. R. A. Pundt has returned from the east.

Mrs. Edward Peck and sister are back from a visit to Colorado.

The jury in the case of Ben S. De Groate, on trial for arson for burning of Charles De Groate & Co.'s hat store, brought in a verdict of acquittal after being out only half an hour. The case was hard fought by lawyers on both sides. District Attorney Burnham being assisted by John M. Thurston and E. W. Simons, and John A. Cowin and Joseph C. Clarkson, conducting the defense.

Twenty Years Ago—

Beach Taylor returned from an extended tour of leading European cities.

C. N. Dietz took out a building permit to erect a home, for \$14,000 at Thirty-eighth and Half Howard streets.

A. P. Clark nearly lost his life as the result of a Leavenworth street druggist's blunder in selling him the wrong medicine.

Miss Lizzie Reynolds went to Chicago. Mayor Cushing left for Denver on a business trip.

Mrs. A. G. McAusland of Kountze Place gave an old-fashioned afternoon tea for a number of grandmothers, including Mrs. Reeves, aged 82; Mrs. McAusland, 83; Mrs. Orchard, 82; Mrs. Rapp, 82; Mrs. Keyes, 75; Mrs. McCoy, 73; Mrs. Jones, 68.

After tea the grandmothers attended a delicate entertainment at Trinity Methodist church.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Hamilton gave a beautiful dancing party at their home, Hamilton Place, in honor of their daughter, Miss Stella, one of the season's debutantes. Some of the gowns were thus described: Miss Clara Brown, white China silk with gold girde; Miss Sherwood, black embroidered crepe trimmed with jet; Miss Grace Himebaugh, white cashmere with little accent at elaboration and carried in France roses; Miss Emily Wakeley, dainty costume of white silk trimmed heavily with lace; Miss Mary Poppleton, white embroidered crepe made quite plain, the effect of girde and carried in white roses; Mrs. Cumming, a heavy black satin gown, entraine, "her diamonds attracting much attention because of their purity"; Mrs. Victor Caldwell, white and blue crepe combination, trimmed elaborately with pearl passementerie; Mrs. Dan Wheeler, Jr., a nineteenth century goddess in a pretty white silk with jeweled front made after Grecian models, trimmed heavily with gold beads; Miss Orchard, "whose summer abroad has brought back the roses to her cheeks, wore the handsomest gown at the reception, a shrimp broadcloth silk made plain with two ruffles at the bottom of the skirt, trimmed with cut crystal, the newest style of trimming, around the bodice being another ruffle ornamented in the same manner, and wherever the young woman went there was with her a line of light, bright, brilliant and fascinating."

Senators Millard presided at the meeting. These vice presidents were elected: J. Sterling Morton, Nebraska City; Lorenso Cloune, Fort Calhoun; L. F. Richards, Fremont; E. J. Halner, Aurora; A. L. Clark, Hastings; Silas A. Holcomb, Broken Bow, each congressional district thus being represented in order named.

Oscar Karbach, Bertillon clerk of the police department, was dismissed for cause from service by the police board.

Mrs. M. Helman and daughter, Lillian, formerly of Omaha and then of Cincinnati, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Adler, 302 Dodge street.

Claude Wilson of Red Cloud was almost killed by gas at the Metropolitan hotel, Twelfth and Douglas streets, where he was a guest. It was accidental. He was revived by Dr. Riley at Clarkson hospital.

The jury was completed for the trial of Jim Callahan, coadjutor of Mr. Crowe in carrying off the person of Eddie Cudaly, also the money of his father. The jury, in Judge Keyser's court, was William Plummer, Hugh Hunter, C. I. Heise, William Klee, F. C. White, C. C. Madson, H. Christensen, G. W. Hall, James Collier, F. E. Gates, H. T. Burnett.

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When some people smile they look as if it hurt them, and you feel better when they quit.

Many a man who claims to be a Christian worships the goose that lays the golden egg.

If you don't want the boy to leave the farm don't bear down quite so hard on the grindstone.

The man who can trust the Lord when there is no bloom on the fig tree is a hard man to discourage.

SECULAR SHOTS AT PULPIT.

St. Louis Globe-Democrat: The bishop of London says churches are anachronisms. Probably because they are human as well as religious institutions.

Houston Post: A Boston preacher says any man who thinks he has a perfect wife is a perfect fool. Well, a preacher thin afford to say such things. The rest of us dare not.

Louisville Courier-Journal: A western evangelist says that aside from its sinfulness, the expression "caught hell" doesn't mean anything. Well, of course, it doesn't to a minister who never went to

the lodge and would have come home on time if he had.

Chicago Record-Herald: Three Chicago preachers have during the last few months had to give up their pulpits and find outside work because they were unable to live on the salaries they received for directing flocks. One trouble with preaching is that there is no chance to win an automobile for good work or to share the receipts of a post-season series.

Chicago Tribune: A Pennsylvania preacher is in trouble with his congregation because he expressed some doubt about Elijah having been carried to heaven in a literal chariot of fire. The good man probably thought that in these days of balloons and aeroplanes he would be perfectly safe in hinting that the prophet went aloft in a more comprehensive way.

DOMESTIC PLEASANTRIES.

Black-How's that girl of yours? White-A perfect peach. Black-A free stone? White-No. A cling stone.—Judge.

Clinton—I suppose your little ones are all many embarrassing questions? Auntie—Yes, they are just like their mother.—Boston Transcript.

"Your wife thinks a lot of you, doesn't she?" "I suppose I might say so," replied Mr. Meekton. "When she starts in to tell me what she thinks of me, it takes a long time."—Washington Star.

"Braggs is up in Maine hunting. He writes me that he's about the biggest bear on record."

"Don't doubt it. It would have to be a monster for Braggs to hit it."—Pittsburgh Post.



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